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THE WAR CLOUD IN THE FAR EAST AS THE LONDON PAPERS PICTURED IT.

A MONTENEGRIN COLUMN ON THE MARCH.

When the Montenegrins are advancing against an enemy the women not only look after the pack mules and transport arrangements generally, but themselves do the work of pack mules. In addition to this they form the Red Cross branch of the army, bringing the wounded in from the front and nursing them. Their strength is greater than that of many men—Illustrated London News.

A SONG OF FAR TRAVEL

Many a time some drowsy oar
From the nearer bank invited,
Crossed a narrow stream, and bore
In among the reeds moon-lighted,
There to leave me on a shore
No ferryman hath sighted.

Many a time a mountain stile,
Dark and bright with sudden wetting,
Lured my vagrant foot the while
'Twixt uplifting and down-settling—
Whither? Thousand mile on mile
Beyond the last forgetting.

Still by hidden ways I wend,
(Past occasion grown a ranger);
Still enchantment, like a friend,
Takes from death the tang of danger;
Hardly river or rod can end
Where I need step a stranger!

—Atlantic.

Rather a Neat Job

My profession isn't a popular one. There is considerable prejudice against it. I don't myself think it's much worse than a good many others. However, that's nothing to do with my story. Some years ago me and the gentleman who was at that time connected with me in business—he's met with reverses since then, and at present isn't able to get out—were looking around for a job, being at that time rather hard up, as you might say. We struck a small country town. I ain't a-goin' to give it away by telling where it was, or what the name if it was. There was one bank there; the president was a rich old duffer; owned the mills, owned the bank, owned most of the town. There wasn't no other officer but the cashier, and they had a boy, who used to sweep out and run of errands.

The bank was on the main street, pretty well up one end of it—nice, snug place, on the corner of a cross street, with nothing very near it. We took our observations and found there wasn't no trouble at all about it. There was an old watchman that walked up and down the streets nights, when he didn't fall asleep and forget it. The vault had two doors; the outside one was chilled iron and a three wheel combination lock; the inner door wasn't no door at all; you could kick it open. It didn't pretend to be nothing but fireproof, and it wasn't even that. The first thing we done, of course, was to fit a key to the outside door. As the lock on the outside door was an old fashioned Bacon lock, any gentleman in my profession who chances to read this article will know just how easy that job was, and how we did it.

This was our plan: After the key was fitted I was to go into the bank, and Jim that wasn't his name, of course, but let it pass—was to keep watch on the outside. When any one passed he was to tip me a whistle, and then I doused the glim and lay low; after they got by, I goes on again. Simple and easy, you see. Well, the night as we selected the president happened to be out of town; gone down to the city, as he often did. I got inside all right, with a slide lantern, a breast drill, a small steel jimmy, a bunch of skeleton keys and a green baize bag, to stow the swag. I fixed my light and rigged my breast drill, and got to work on the door right over the lock.

Probably a great many of our readers are not so well posted as me about bank locks, and I may say for them that a three wheel combination lock has three wheels in it, and a slot in each wheel. In order to unlock the door, you have to get the three slots opposite to each other at the top of the lock. Of course, if you know the number the lock is set on you can do this; but if you don't you have to depend on your ingenuity. There is in each of these wheels a small hole, through which you can put a wire through the back of the lock when you change the combination. Now, if you can bore a hole through the door and pick up those wheels by running a wire through those holes, why, you can open the door. I hope I make myself clear. I was boring that hole. The door was chilled iron; about the hardest stuff I ever worked on. I went on steady enough; only stopped when Jim—which, as I said, wasn't his real name—whistled outside, and the watchman toddled by. By and by, when I'd got pretty near through, I heard Jim—so to speak—whistle again. I stopped, and pretty soon I heard footsteps outside, and I'm blowed if they didn't come right up to the bank steps and I heard a key in the lock. I was so dumfounded when I heard that that you could have slipped the bracelets right on me. I picked up the lantern, and I'll be hanged if I didn't let the slide slip down and throw the light right onto the door, and there was the president. Instead of calling for help, as I supposed he would, he took a step inside the door, and shaded his eyes with his hand and looked at me. I knowed I ought to knock him down and cut out, but I'm blest if I could, I was that surprised.

"Who are you?" he says.

"Who are you?" says I, thinking that was an innocent remark as he commenced it, and a-trying all the time to collect myself.

"I'm president of the bank," says he, kinder short; "something the matter with the lock?"

By George! the idea came to me then.

"Yes, sir," says I, touching my cap; "Mr. Jennings, he telegraphed this morning as the lock was out of order

I WAS BORING THAT HOLE.

and he couldn't get in and I'm come on to open it for him."

"I told Jennings a week ago," says he, "that he ought to get that lock fixed. Where is he?"

"He's been a-writing letters, and he's gone up to his house to get another letter he wanted for to answer."

"Well, why don't you go right on?" says he.

"I've got almost through," says I, "and I didn't want to finish up and open the vault till there was somebody here."

"That's very creditable of you," says he; "a very proper sentiment, my man. You can't be too particular about avoiding the very suspicion of evil."

"No, sir," says I, kinder modest like.

"What do you suppose is the matter with the lock?" says he.

"I don't rightly know yet," says I; "but I rather think it's a little wore on account of not being oiled enough. These 'ere locks ought to be oiled about once a year."

"Well," says he, "you might as well go right on, now I'm here; I will stay till Jennings comes. Can't I help you—hold your lantern, or something of that sort?"

The thought came to me like a flash, and I turned around and says:

"How do I know you're the president? I ain't ever seen you afore, and you may be a trying to crack this bank, for all I know."

"That's a very proper inquiry, my man," says he, "and shows a most remarkable degree of discretion. I confess that I should not have thought of the position in which I was placing you. However, I can easily convince you that it's all right. Do you know what the president's name is?"

"No, I don't," says I, sorter surly.

"Well, you'll find it on that bill," said he, taking a bill out of his pocket; "and you see the same name on these letters," and he took some letters from his coat.

I suppose I ought to have gone right on then, but I was beginning to feel interested in making him prove who he was, so I says:

"You might have got those letters on purpose to put on a job on me."

"You're a very honest man," says he, "one among a thousand. Don't think I'm at all offended at your persistence. No, my good fellow, I like it, I like it," and he laid his hand on my shoulder. "Now, here," says he, taking a bundle out of his pocket, "is a package of ten thousand dollars in bonds. A burglar wouldn't be apt to carry these around with him, would he? I bought them in the city yesterday, and I stopped here to-night on my way home to place them in the vault, and, I may add that your simple and manly honesty has so touched me that I would willingly leave them in your hands for safe keeping. You needn't blush at my praise."

I suppose I did turn scarlet red when I see them bonds.

"Are you satisfied now?" says he.

I told him I was, thoroughly, and so I was. So I picked up my drill again, and gave him the lantern to hold so that I could see the door. I got through the lock pretty soon, and put in my wire and opened it. Then he took hold of the door and opened the vault.

"I'll put my bonds in," says he, "and go home. You can lock up and wait till Mr. Jennings comes. I don't suppose you will try to fix the lock to-night?"

I told him I shouldn't do anything more with it now, as we could get in before morning.

"Well, I'll bid you good-night, my man," says he, as he quietly swung the door to again.

Just then I heard Jim, by name, whistle, and I guessed the watchman was a-coming up the street.

"Ah," says I, "you might speak to the watchman, if you see him, and tell him to keep an extra lookout to-night."

"I will," says he, and we both went to the front door.

"There comes the watchman up the street," says he. "Watchman, this man has been fixing the bank lock, and I want you to keep a sharp lookout to-night. He will stay here and wait until Mr. Jennings returns."

"Good night again," says he, and we shook hands, and he leisurely went up the street.

I saw Jim, so called, in the shadow on the other side of the street, as I stood on the step with the watchman.

"Well," says I to the watchman, "I go and pick up my tools, and get ready to go."

I went into the bank, and it didn't take long to throw the door open and stuff them bonds into the bag. There was some boxes lying around, and a safe as I should rather have liked to have tackled, but it seemed like tempting Providence after the luck we'd had. I looked at my watch and see it was just a quarter past twelve. There was an express train went through at half-past twelve. I tucked my tools in the bag on top of the bonds, and walked out of the front door. The watchman was on the steps.

"I don't believe I'll wait for Mr. Jennings," says I. "I suppose it will be all right if I give you this key."

"That's all right," says the watchman.

"I wouldn't go away very far from the bank," says I.

"No, I won't," says he; "I'll stay right about here all night."

"Good night," says I, and I shook hands with him, and me and Jim—which wasn't his right name, you understand—took the twelve-thirty express, and the best part of that job was we never heard nothing of it.

It never got into the papers.—Pennsylvania Grit.

A Change.

Mrs. Larkin—I want a little money to-day, Fred.

Mr. L.—I'm very glad of that.

Mrs. L. (surprised)—Why are you glad? Mr. L.—Because generally you want a good deal.

When a man asks your advice, he always tells you just how he expects you to decide.

MIND OVER MATTER.

Electricians Whose Experiments Are Startling and Convincing.

The power of mind over matter is illustrated in recent electricity experiments made by Dr. Otto von der Pfordten, who believes he has shown that the action of electricity in the human body may be modified or even neutralized by the state of the mind. Aspinals has already noted that electricians who, when asleep, have touched dangerous live wires have suffered no injury except a burn; and Jellinek found that an ordinarily deadly current did not harm rabbits when they were chloroformed. Of greater interest still are the cases where the action of the current is neutralized by a man's strained expectation or attention. Electricians, he says, often touch parts of the machinery to ascertain if there is a current in them and while this conscious and deliberate act results in no harm, unintentional contact with a less powerful current proves fatal. In experimenting on himself Jellinek has found that an unexpected shock of 250 volts was terrible, whereas an expected shock of 500 volts made little impression. But this was a bagatelle compared with the exhibition of courage given by Herr von Dobrowolsky, who broke a wire containing 30,000 volts and picked up one end of it in the presence of several dismayed experts without suffering the least harm. "To do such a thing one must be absolutely fearless of death, or else one must have the force of an engineer who has learned to control the powerful electric fluid." The force, Dr. von der Pfordten declares, is will power, and he adds: "There is something imposing in this idea that the will power in such a case opposes itself to death as an equal force and comes out triumphant." Dr. Hufeland was convinced that most nervous disorders are caused by mental influence and passiveness, a weak yielding to bodily sensations and impressions. As he cites Pinel, who found that during the excitement of the French revolution many persons who had for years been weak and sickly became healthy and strong, this being true especially among the indolent members of the aristocracy, whose nervous troubles disappeared entirely.

The Japanese have a special method of training the will from early childhood, and it has been plausibly argued that it was this study of will power more than anything else that enabled them to overcome the Russians.

QUEER STORIES

The blind population of Great Britain is about 40,000.

Up to the year 1854 the newspapers of England labored under the handicap of a special government tax.

The Japanese system of individual licensing is decreasing opium smoking in Formosa. The number of users fell from 165,750 in 1900 to 120,330 in 1906.

Washington is the only one of the Pacific Coast states in which coking coal has been found. Its coke production last year totaled 52,028 tons, an increase over 1906 of 6,386 tons.

Condensed milk imports in Japan are increasing enormously, rising from a value of $320,000 in 1901 to $1,031,000 in 1907. The United States supplies 58 per cent, Great Britain 26 per cent, and Switzerland 13 per cent.

Mrs. A. J. Goddard, of Abington, Mass., has resigned her place as church organist after a service of forty-four years, said to be the longest term of any woman in the church history of New England. She has been a successful director of choruses and quartets and has produced several popular musical compositions.

John Boyes, the white king of the Kikykus, will, it is said, pilot President Roosevelt in his great hunting trip through British East Africa. Boyes has lived in British East Africa for ten years, after having been shipwrecked. He was made king of a large tribe, and his authority is recognized by the British government. He is a Yorkshireman by birth.

Miss Janet M. Johnstone, a teacher in the girls' school in Kanazawa, Japan, says that the class of 1908 is the largest in the history of the school. She reports that there has been a wonderful increase during the last few years in the Japanese women's interest in athletics. They are no longer willing to be a race of little people. In their anxiety to become tall they are willing to take almost any amount of exercise. Walking especially has become extremely fashionable.

Medina, the holy city, which has been rejoicing over the opening of the Hedjaz railway, triumphed long ago over all the rivals in various parts of the world which bore the same name, which means simply "city." Notable among them were the old capital at Malta and Medina Sidonia in Spain. The Arabian city was originally known as Yathrib, but owes its later name, El-Medina (the city) or Medinat Rasul Allah (the city of the apostle of God), to the Koran. To a good Mohammedan there is only one city "with a big C."

Tit for Tat.

Portly Passenger—Why don't you get up and give one of those ladies your seat, Tommy?

Tommy—Why don't you get up and let them all sit down.—The Tatler.

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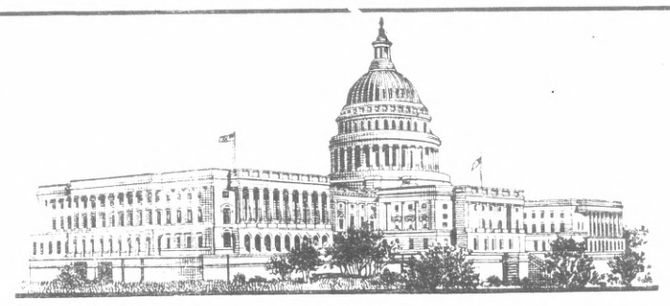

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UNION LABEL

SATURDAY, December 26, 1908.

If you have any news, articles, or items of friends, society, or unfinished items of coming events, building plans, or anything of benefit to the city, send it in to the TERMINAL, as early as possible, with your name.

NOTICE.—No contract with any person to be authorized through outside parties will be employed. Subscribers who have their paper are requested to notify the office at once.

We wish our readers a very happy and prosperous New Year!

Our people are looking for that wave of prosperity, and business is becoming pretty fair while waiting.

Word comes to the TERMINAL from Paso Robles Hotel that Governor-elect Samuel G. Cosgrove of Washington is able to be out of bed and may be able to go back to Washington for the inauguration January 1. This is gratifying news.

Governor James N. Gillett has appointed Hon. Fred V. Wood of Alamo Judge of the Superior Court of Amador County, to succeed the late Judge Rust. Judge Wood is very popular in Richmond. The appointment is a high honor worthily bestowed by the Governor.

Government does not reform of itself. Reforms come gradual and not by spurts, if they must last by the church, press and by healing influences of these crystallizes public opinion, which linked with the noble uplifting of woman, is the motive force. If would-be reformers work against woman, they may expect a kick worse than "Maud" can administer.

To begin with, a reformer must have an aim; he must have popularity, and by all means must not fall out with people, simply because they disagree with you in opinion; this would divide the community and breaks into the unity. The best influence is living noble examples of reform; vice began in the Garden of Eden. A reformer should be a detective; he ought to have the brazen affrontery to visit dens of iniquity and see what is going on—you can not take anybody's word, not even your own. If he can not do these things he should cheerfully resign his billet to the care of others. Ex.

It is much to be regretted that the union labor leaders should be imprisoned. It is up to union labor in Richmond to meet for united action for an appeal before the President of the United States. If the principles involved are of merit, our local unions should take it up and assist their exalted brothers.

An appeal will get a review of the case. Neither labor or capital should be crushed, but both should be protected by the strong arm of the law, else mud swallows will nest in the smoke-stacks of our factories and the family will go unclothed and unfed. Socialism will sweep the country which will be like "h——l with the lid off."

The laws of our country must be obeyed, the Constitution of our nation as followed by General George Washington and all violators punished without fear or favor, whether his name is Ruef, or Calhoun. The present hard times is probably caused by wild-cat banking and by wealthy corporations' laying off men, simply because they are afraid of their shadow, for the reason that some of the stockholders have "gone wrong." Labor furnishes the sinews of every community. As long as capital is organized, labor must be organized, but both, must be regulated when either attempts to put the little man out of business. This causes danger to public institutions. The elective franchise should be kept in close touch with the people; elect all the officers you can, see that the leaders keep in close touch and remain honorable.

Criminal violators should be punished by fines, or imprisonment, but the TERMINAL is of the opinion that Gompers, Mitchell and others who have done so much for organized labor ought not be cast into prison without a review of all the circumstances, for the reason that they are not thieves, but are working for the principles of liberty and justice. It is up to unions of Richmond to take some action promptly.

[illegible] of Joseph Thoburn and T. W. Lewis [illegible] From Last Week.

The Gentiles have not had it [illegible] We only seem to part as [illegible] clearly, but did [illegible] Great Apostle of the Gentiles say, "When the thing which [illegible] come then that which [illegible] shall be done away?" [illegible] To the Gentiles so [illegible] Jesus who are [illegible] was [illegible] Gentiles [illegible] Lord Jesus said after the [illegible] of the Gentiles be [illegible] Rom. 11, 25: "that he would make a new covenant with the House of Israel after those days" Heb. 8, 8; and that he would set [illegible] the remnant of his people [illegible] Isa. 11, 11; and that he would bring them to Zion and feed them as a shepherd feeteth his flock, and that they shall sorrow no more.

We must rightly divide between Jew and Gentile and the House of Israel, the immortal church of God. 1 Cor. 10, 32: the general assembly of the elected, the first born. Heb. 12, 23.

How doth a shepherd keep his flock? Does a good shepherd [illegible] Jesus said, "If ye [illegible] not with me scatteth" Luke 11, 23. That is one of the reasons there are so many sects, but God says, "I will gather you one by one, O ye children of Israel. I will gather them from whithersoever they have been scattered" Ezek. 34, 12. Sheep flock, and he shows us by the Scriptures that "I shall send my angels (messengers) to gather them from the uttermost part of Heaven, and separate them as a shepherd divideth his sheep from the goats" (Matt. 25, 32). And the gathering is now going in.

Now we only point you to the door, and if you are willing to enter in and make your body a fit habitation for the Almighty God of Jacob, to dwell in, you should get Israel's Hope, by which will give you the properties which will unlock to you the secret mystery of God's Judgments, God manifested in the flesh.

But those who love death for their body is more than life, we won't trouble them, they are welcome to that, but it won't be long before that last enemy shall be destroyed. 1 Cor. 15, 26, and they who are worthy to take part with it will go with him.

As we go to press we chronicle the death of Antone L. Breda, aged [illegible] a pioneer of Richmond. Leaves a wife and seven children. Lived in this country 30 years, being a native of Genoa, Italy and was highly respected.

Clarence Odell, an attorney, was unanimously appointed city recorder, Wednesday by the Board of City Trustees over John Roth, Justice of the Peace, ex Street Superintendent I. E. Marshall, ex-Justice Lindsey, A. C. Lang, druggist, the Democratic nominee for the Assembly against Johnson, Republican and Union Labor nominee, and was defeated, but was highly recommended by A. B. McKenzie of Martinez, ex-Chairman of the Republican Central Committee of Contra Costa County, and, it is reported that Lang was also favored by Assemblyman-elect Tom D. Johnston. Odell is a straight Republican.

POLITICAL STRAWS.

When you find some one who always talks reform, that one may be trying to fool all the people for a little time.

Birds of a feather flock together, but a large number go to the Eagles' Nest and pick flesh and chew at Wylie's Restaurant.

A man to whom illness was chronic
When told that he needed a tonic,
Said, "Oh, doctor, dear,
Won't you please make it beer?"
"No, no," said the doc, "that's Teutonic."

—PrincetonTiger.

TOWN TALK

Our merchants have excellent window displays.

Last Tuesday marked the beginning of matrimonial life of G. W. O'Connor, of the real estate firm of Kelly, O'Connor & Co., and Miss Rose Glenn of Memphis, Tennessee, the nuptial knot being tied by Rev. Adams at the Episcopal Church at San Francisco. After a honeymoon Mr. and Mrs. O'Connor will return to Richmond to reside.

NOTICE.—O. B. Masters and R. C. Epsen have sold their cigar and and tobacco stock to Carter & Spagnoli and said purchasers are not liable for any debts of the former proprietors.

NOTICE.—DO NOT PAY FOR GARBAGE DISPOSAL.

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Dated December 26, 1908.

ANNIE J. SORENSEN
Administratrix of the estate of Soren J. Sorensen, Deceased.

SUMMONS

IN THE RECORDER'S COURT OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND COUNTY OF CONTRA COSTA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

JONES & ADKISON, PLAINTIFF VS. B. G. PECK DEFENDANT ORIGINAL SUMMONS

The People of the State of California Send Greeting to B. G. Peck DEFENDANT

YOU ARE HEREBY REQUIRED to appear in an action brought against you by the above named plaintiff in the Recorder's Court of the City of Richmond, County of Contra Costa, State of California, and to answer before the Recorder at his office in said City, the Complaint filed therein, within five days (exclusive of the day of service) after the service on you of this summons—if served within the City in which action is brought, or if served out of said City, but in said county, within ten days, or within twenty days if served elsewhere. And you are hereby notified that if you fail to appear and answer, the Plaintiff will take judgment for any money or damages demanded in the Complaint as arising upon Contract, or will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

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The Rev. Sprague Davis seems to enjoy (?) what the Terminal said about his actions towards the raffles conducted by the West Side Woman's Improvement Club of Richmond, and too, although the matter was almost forgotten, he revived the matter again himself by a publication in the Leader after the affair was more than a week old, and the San Francisco Examiner and Oakland Tribune have set the social world of improvement club women all "agog" and revived the gossips again, too, giving more stimulus to tongue muscles—and the jawbones of some gossips must ache by this time, in criticism of the learned divine's attempts to stop the raffles. The eminent minister quoted the Terminal in a portion of what it said and he apparently went "up in the air," so to speak, and hinted of warnings to enemies, and even threatened Uncle Sam.

If our dear Mr. Davis would only take down his mirror and look squarely into it, he will see, perhaps, an image of his worst enemy, but he should not look too long, lest the mirror should crack, and it would then, as Mark Twain puts it, "Give a double-barreled portrait of himself.

In the interest of good government Mr. Davis, why did you not stop the raffle or contest for the Leader automobile last summer? Examine the court record.

Are you making any attempt to check the prize-fight which the papers say will occur in Point Richmond tonight?

Have you visited any of the red light districts? Have you visited any gambling places? In what respect were the laws violated? Remember that once in New York City divines visited these places personally to get the facts. It was the only way they could find out. But no Lexow Committee accomplished so much as to eliminate the evils there.

Did the editor of the Terminal ever stop his press to play poker? No. Did the editor of the Terminal ever win $51 on a Sunday morning? No. Is the editor of the Terminal ever violating any of his temperance pledges? The editor of the Terminal is just as clean, morally, mentally and physically as you are, and still you have refrained for several months from entering our doorway. We each, I hope, may have an equal opportunity to enter the gates of St. Peter. Throw off your cloak of prejudice, throw off your boycott of the Terminal, lift your head and look us in the face; let the good women alone, who try to build and equip libraries, build churches and public fountains.

We shall not quote what you were quoted as saying in the San Francisco press. That is what started the row. We do not write anonymous letters. We can talk face to face.

Uncle Sam is our personal friend. Our mother, Isabella Cary Brown, was a member of the Ohio Women's Christian Temperance Union. She was a temperance woman but was not a prohibitionist. We will venture to say that she knew as much of the Bible as the Reverend Sprague Davis. Following our early teaching, we are opposed to prohibition and we are as much for temperance as Mr. Davis would dare to be. We oppose drunkenness and for that reason we are opposed to a dry town. Long Beach voted "dry" and their million dollar tourist hotel closed its doors. Richmond wants a million dollar tourist hotel, and cannot get it by voting "dry.".

The Terminal favors saloon regulation; when a saloon violates the law close it up as quickly as violation is discovered. It needs not be argued that a saloon proprietor does not know his own business relations to law and order. Keep out the minors and not sell "soaks" more than one or two "bracers," and a "nightcap." Give him a cup of cafe-noir in the morning and let him go to work.

Regulation, regulation, regulation. Let us regulate the saloons. That is the thing to do, "for we won't go home 'till mornin'." Do not talk for buncombe, for Richmond is not such a "Hell Hole" as she is pictured to outsiders. There are no people in Richmond who shoot out the lights, or ride into the saloon horseback; we have seen occurrences like this as far back as 1889, Mr. Davis, but we can truly say that the saloon of California has improved in these respects, but it will be a long while before the gentleman of leisure will remain "dry" for the want of drink. There are too many Swiss, too many Italians, too many Swedes, too many Danes, too many Germans, too many freeborn Americans. The Terminal would be pleased to publish a digest of Mr. Davis' efforts if they prove successful. We would like to see how Mr. Davis can secure prohibition.

MINISTER ASKS QUESTION.

A Scotch minister and his friend, coming home from a wedding, began to consider the state in which their potations at the feast had left them.

"Sandy," said the minister, "just stop a minute till I go ahead. Perhaps I don't walk steady, and the guid wife might remark something not right."

The minister walked ahead for a short distance, and then called out:

"How is it? Am I walking straight?"

"Oh, aye," answered Sandy, thickly, "ye're a-recht—but who's that with ye?"—Exchange.

STUNG!

"Let me kiss those tears away!" he begged tenderly.

She fell in his arms, and he was busy for the next few minutes; and the tears flowed on.

"Can nothing stop them?" he asked, breathlessly sad.

"No," she murmured. "It's my fever, you know. But go on with the treatment."

PUNCH.

It is hoped that everybody enjoyed Christmas yesterday.

Some officials like to do policies; others like to give the communities what they need.

State Superintendent of Schools Hyatt is in favor of free school books for children. Tommy, get busy.

Mother's kitchen on Macdonald avenue sets a very nice hot meal for a twenty-five cent service, all any one wants to eat. Try it.

Mrs. Warren Brown and daughter, Eleanor Loraine, have returned from San Luis Obispo, where they visited relatives and friends.

Before the next California Legislature will have met the bill for the direct primary will have been framed ready for the "first reading of the bill."

Last night was an appropriate regular meeting of Acantha Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, Remember the Star of the East and Christ's birthday.

Conductor Gordon talked much in the same vein as Conductor Lee Parker about conditions of our city. He is owner of the Electric theater, one of the best show houses in this city.

Mr. Wells says that Jacksonville, Illinois, is situated on flat ground, and the streets there are all lower than the property frontage. Every particle of water is carried off there.

R. L. Parker, conductor on the Santa Fe, is disgusted with the way our streets are put up in ridges and says that this is the only city in which he has seen streets put up in ridges higher than the property, when there is ample fall for lower grade. He is disgusted and says he knows of $1500 trade leaving the town.

Dr. —"It's a bad case, Hans, but I think we can cure you. I will try something new that is all the rage now."

Hans—"Vot is it?"

Dr.—"We calf it the Bier Treatment."

Hans—"Ah Gott, yy didn't I come to you before."

Gus Hangaras is the shoe man at 616 Macdonald avenue. If you have no sole or heel he will sole and heel your shoes; if you are a man, for 75 cents a pair; if a lady, it will cost only 50 cents a pair. Look after your soles and see that you are well heeled. No excuse now.

Wall street promises to be the great thoroughfare from Stege north to Macdonald avenue, a splendid business center, and Twenty-third street, north to San Pablo, its continuance. Between the intersection of Wall street and Macdonald avenue, and Twenty-third street and Macdonald avenue, promises to be the most active of John Nicholl's frontage and this will be more actively so, if the Key Route makes its terminus where Wall street connects Macdonald avenue as now seems probable.

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G. Ghiglieri, owner of the Central Postoffice building at the junction of Macdonald avenue and Sixth street, the Oakland banker, A. L. Spellmeyer, and Louis Becker have organized and incorporated a large business institution called the Central Richmond Land Company, with a capital stock of $60,000, with $14,000 paid up. The main offices will be in the Central Postoffice building on Macdonald avenue, with also an office at San Francisco and another at Oakland.

The stockholders of the new corporation are: G. Ghiglieri, president; Louis Becker, vice president, and A. L. Spellmeyer secretary.

This company purchased 55 acres from the Realty Syndicate for $52,000, and the deeds passed and were filed for record at Martinez Thursday. This tract of land will lie between the proposed new thoroughfare called Wall street, which will be a wide boulevard extending north from Stege to Macdonald avenue boulevard near Twenty third street, and will be a great stimulus to Macdonald avenue. The future traffic over these streets will be very heavy. When Mr. Spellmeyer returns active operations of this company will begin.

Before the contract was let for paving and sidewalking Macdonald avenue, City Attorney Hart hinted to a Board of Trustees meeting in advance that there might be an injunction filed but he thought it could be lifted in thirty days. Sure enough there was an injunction filed by a Palo Alto woman (?) named Ostrander, and it has been several times thirty days since the filing and the injunction is still on. Can it be possible that the city attorney, "behind the push," is only waiting until a favorable time for street work to begin and have court proceedings in progress while street work should be in progress? The court proceedings may last until the following winter. The boulevard gains nothing by such tactics.

The 5c to 50c Store.

The 5c to 50c store will hold its drawing for the doll and train on January 2. All those wishing to purchase tickets for this drawing can do so still. It is your last chance to get a doll or train free.

The Variety Palace contains all the sweets of sweets.

An eating house, called the Flap Jack, has started at Baker's Market.

Homer Wyatt has gone South for a vacation. Frank Wyatt has charge of store in his absence.

The TERMINAL sold a fine printing plant and invested the proceeds in new type equipment. The office does handsome work. The card department, the job department and news department are models. Up-to-date work is our motto.

W. J. McLeod is attracting wide spread attention with his sales at Oakland prices. It will astonish you to see what a little cash will buy. His meat market is growing into prominence. Oakland prices for good fresh meat. Go and see him.

The Palace Drug Co., is a new business that is opening on Macdonald Avenue in the Central Post Office Building at the corner of Sixth Street and Macdonald Ave. Mr. Thomas Price, a registered pharmacist of long experience will have charge. Watch for his opening next week.

The real estate firm of Carter & Rogers are very busy selling property. The editor called at their office noticing some excitement and asking what was going on, said that they had just closed a deal with Thompson and Burns for four lots each in Nystrom addition. The firm was not excited in the least because, as they said they were doing that kind of business right along.

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Footwear Department

Slippers, Ladies, $1.00 and $2.50. Slippers, Children's 75c to $1.75. Useful and ornamental present.

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Toilet Sets $5 to $50. Napkin Rings $1 to $8. Sewing Boxes $1.25 to $7.50. Sterling from 25c to $1.00.

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Department for Travelers.—Gentlemen's and Ladies' Suit Cases, Traveling Bags, Pillows and so on, $5.00 to $75.

Silk Department

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Holiday Leather Goods

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READERS of this paper desiring to buy anything advertised in its columns should insist upon having what they ask for, refusing all substitutes or imitations.

A New Amphibian.

Several examples of a zoological paradox—a fish which would be speedily drowned if placed in deep water—have just been added to the collection at Regent's Park. This is the African walking fish, which spends the greater part of its existence upon the mud banks of tropical rivers. Its method of progression has been described by naturalists as the "hop, skip and jump" variety, and when journeying inland, as it does over long distances, it climbs by means of the breast fins over the roots and even into the boughs of trees. These curious creatures, which belong to an important group known as lung fishes, form a connecting link with the higher forms of life, the air bladder being converted into what is practically a lung. When the rivers dry up in the hot season they bury themselves in the mud, breathing in the air like a frog or a newt. In Australia there are several varieties of lung fishes, one of the largest, which is much esteemed as an article of food, sometimes attaining a length of six feet.—Daily Graphic.

Where there's a will there's generally a law suit; but when a man really wants good rye or bourbon whiskey he invariably calls for Old Gilt Edge.

Author in "White Wing" Role.

Down in Marion, Mass., Richard Harding Davis, the author, has begun his new job of keeping the streets of that town clean. Three boys with a new push cart and a prod apiece, made out of curtain rollers, with screws on one end, the heads filed down to a point, with which they pierce scattering paper, directed by the novelist, have started in to make a record as the working force of the new department of street cleaning. Mr. Davis and Mrs. Webb Dexter offered to share the cost of the cleaning, and at an improvement association meeting recently the members elected Mr. Davis to take charge and carry out his own ideas. He hired the boys and will pay them $8 apiece for one month. The next month Mrs. Dexter will settle with them.

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The United States ranks third in the production of barley.

Light, heat and oil are the worst enemies of the rubber tire.

The proportion of gold and silver in circulation is one to fifteen.

Of the 147,000,000 of Russia's population 100,000,000 are peasants.

Fifteen cities of the United States have 300,000 population or over.

In point of geographical elevation Madrid is the highest city of Europe.

The average horsepower of New York city automobiles is thirty-five.

Proper care of the teeth is now taught in London schools.

The total number of sailing vessels in the world is double that of steamers.

The temperature of blooms is always slightly higher than the surrounding air.

The Scilly islands produce yearly 700 tons of flowers for perfume making.

The Botallac mine, in Cornwall, runs for two-thirds of a mile out under the sea.

The present population of Lyons, the third city of France, is about half a million.

A nugget of gold weighing eighty ounces has been found at Ballarat, Australia.

Important oil discoveries have been made in the Orange River settlement of South Africa.

The city of Milwaukee has almost abolished the use of horses in all municipal departments.

Notwithstanding the public buildings owned by New York city it pays in rents $332,000 annually.

A London paper gives away the secret that Irishwomen's native shawls are wholly made in Scotland.

The Chinese government spent $100,000 last year toward the assistance of Chinese students studying abroad.

The city of Niagara Falls is rapidly increasing in population, owing to the rapid industrial expansion of that section of the country.

Police of the city of New York arrest each day an average of forty-eight men who say that they have no occupation.

A banker, who is a grandnephew of Mendelssohn, has just paid the record price of $20,000 for a Stradivarius violoncello.

The negro Baptists are taking steps to found a national university. A promise of $25,000 toward starting it is announced.

Two million dollars will be spent in improvements in the great steel plant of the United States Steel Corporation at Emsley, Ala.

A Swiss lake turns red about every 10 years owing to the presence of a tiny plant, which is visible only through the microscope.

We have noticed that a good many girls marry without any definite idea as to the best way to kill the odor of cooking cabbage.—Topeka Capital.

Canada's purchases from the United States in 1908 amounted to $167,000,000, while this country imported $75,000,000 worth of Canadian goods.

The world's tobacco crop amounts to 2,201,000,000 pounds. Of this 690,000,000 pounds are produced in the United States, more than that of any other country.

The Russian minister of finance has declared his intention of assessing a tax on electrical energy which will yield a revenue, it is said, of about $4,500,000 a year to the treasury.

The proposed American exposition to be held in London next year has been thoroughly organized, and special efforts are being made to secure exhibits from the western part of this country.

Great energy has been recently manifested in the commercial utilization of the water powers of Mexico. In one case 11 minor streams have been diverted into one body of water to drive a great electric plant.

HINDU PROVERBS.

The habits of the cradle will last to the grave.

Even when a wound is healed a scar will remain.

A slip of the tongue is worse than a slip of the foot.

If a neighbor's roof catches fire one's own is in danger.

Do not believe all you hear, do not say all you believe.

Do not put your foot in the river without knowing its depth.

To acquire science in later years is like dyeing a dirty cloth.

A stone will wear away by the continual creeping of ants over it.

None is ruined by telling the truth; no one prospers by telling lies.

The flood which has passed the dam will not come back even if you cry.

Anybody will say: I have no memory; nobody will say: I have no sense.

There is no man who knows everything; there is none who knows nothing.

The plant that could not be bent when it was a twig will not bend when it is a branch.

When the cattle is on one shore, the opposite looks green, when it is on the opposite shore, the other side looks green.

Universal Opinion.

"What do you ask for this plaque?" asked an old gentleman of the pretty girl in charge of a church fair booth.

"Five dollars," she replied.

"Aren't you a little dear?" queried the o. g.

"Well," answered the p. g., blushing, "that's what the boys all tell me."

Ring On.

Ring, Mister Dollar—
You know we mighty po',
An' w'en we hear you ringin'
We'll open wide de do'!
—Atlanta Constitution.

FARM, GARDEN, DAIRY, ORCHARD

Pruning Methods of Best Growers.

When fruit trees are planted out, the stem should be cut back to 16 or 18 inches from the ground. The following winter from three to four branches, properly distributed around the body, should be left to form the head and each one of these should have at least one-half of its growth removed, cutting away all laterals from them also. These leaders are to form the framework of the tree. Do not shorten in a lateral starting near the terminal point of any of the branches, or you will have an ugly crook left. Do not imagine that, unless these laterals are allowed to remain, the tree will not start. The result of this first year's pruning will be an immense growth and a stock growth.

The second winter the trees should be thinned out, in such a manner as to cause the framework branches to spread and form a vase, or goblet, shaped head, open in the center to the sun and air. After thinning out, cut off half of the current season's growth and remove all laterals from the framework branches.

The third winter leave from two to three laterals, properly distributed, on each of the framework branches, but they in turn should be cut back at least half. The fourth year's pruning should not be so severe, but the fruit bearing branches should be thinned out and shortened.

To the novice this severe pruning seems suicidal, while his impatience to get results tempts him to disregard it, but years of experience by growers in California and elsewhere have demonstrated its wisdom. A heavy crop may be harvested earlier without it, but the long spindling branches will bend down under their heavy load of inferior fruit, become sunburned, and even split off in some cases, and you will never be able to make of it a perfect tree. You will have sacrificed the permanent value of the tree to your greedy impatience for an early crop.

1. Apples should be headed from 14 to 16 inches from the ground after being set. They are subject to sun scald and the attacks of the flat-headed borer. The stem should therefore be wrapped with paper or burlap until sufficiently protected by the foliage. Or they may be coated with a wash made as follows: Dissolve one-half gallon of soft soap in the same quantity of hot water, adding one-fourth pint of crude carbolic acid. After mixing, add five gallons of hot water and enough lime to make the mixture as thick as paint. Leave only three or four branches the first winter to form the head. For the first three years thinning and systematic shortening of the main and lateral branches should be practiced as explained above. The crab-apple should be treated the same.

2. Pears should be headed at 18 inches. Prune the same as the apple. No tree responds so readily to the process, yet how often do we see even a large orchard in which the trees, not having been properly pruned at the start, send up a lot of tall, gaunt, crowded shoots, looking like bean-poles. If they ever do have a heavy crop, it will be of inferior fruit and will split off many of the branches unless they are carefully supported. Both the apple and pear produce their fruit upon spurs of the previous year's growth only, these spurs appearing on wood one year or more of age, and themselves making only a short growth.

3. Cherries should be headed at 16 inches. They are particularly liable to sun burn, the bark being sensitive. Leave from three to five branches to form the head and select those to remain which are so distributed as to avoid forks, as cherries are apt to split when they grow older. At the end of a year cut these branches back half and remove all laterals. At the end of another year leave only two branches to grow from each of these. At the end of another year new growth should be shortened in about one-third and some of the laterals appearing near the point of divergence from the main stems should not be cut off, but only shortened in, as the shade they will furnish is essential to the development of the young tree. In after years, pruning should be confined to the removal of crowding and interfering branches.

4. Plums and prunes. The first four years follow the instructions for fruits in general. Thereafter, outside of thinning and cutting out cross limbs, little pruning will be needed. Experience has shown that if shortening is practiced from year to year, it will result in the growth of a great quantity of young wood which produces no fruit. The fruit bearing branches assume a weeping tendency, produce a large number of fruit bearing spurs, but little new wood. When the trees appear unhealthy and no longer bear good crops, they should be cut back very severely, in order to rejuvenate them.

5. Peaches and nectarines require the same general treatment as other fruits, but when topping the trees at 18 inches, instead of removing all the side branches, cut them back to about two inches long, so that in case the buds on the main body do not start in the spring, the small branches will. If the former do start in a satisfactory manner, the latter should be removed. This is an important point, in order to obviate the necessity of growing a new stem in case the buds happen to be blind and fail to start out at the proper height. From three to five branches should be left to form the head and these should be cut back to 12 inches the following winter. The next year a severe cutting back should again be made, not leaving over two feet of the season's growth. Thin out the numerous laterals, allowing only a few to remain, and remove any which are close to the point where the framework branches have been topped. If these laterals are allowed to remain, the new growth in the spring will force its way through them, instead of forcing buds out where they should be, making an ugly crook in the tree. The next year only two or three shoots should be allowed to start from the branches of the year before and they in turn should have their growth shortened in one-half. The next year the head will be fully formed and a medium crop may be expected. After that do not neglect the pruning and thinning of a peach tree every year, no matter how old. Topping without thinning causes the development of a great amount of barren wood and has a tendency to smother the tree. To obtain large, firm fruit, it will also be necessary to thin out the fruits, where the trees are heavily laden. This should be done when they have set well and before the kernel has hardened.

6. Almonds bud and bloom very early and are thus apt to be nipped by spring frosts. Even when the nuts have grown to be an inch or more in length, a sudden cold wave will sometimes cause an entire crop to drop. They should, therefore, be planted in the highest land you possess, in order the better to escape injury by frosts and in order also to give their roots the best drainage. Prune like the peach for the first three years. Aterwards nothing is needed but to remove objectionable branches. The tendency of most varieties is to become too dense and such tree should be thinned out in the winter.

7. Walnuts should be treated quite differently from deciduous trees in general. The stem should not be cut back at all when transplanting, nor should the laterals be removed, except those which start lower than four feet from the ground. The only pruning needed is to give a good shape to the tree, and this is accomplished by causing the branches to have an upward tendency, cutting off those which show an inclinatio[n] ... after years in ... be removed, ... should never ... peach. The s... should be pro...

8. Figs sh... ing to 20 inch... with rubber ... The first ... back to abo... more than fo... next winter c... the new grow... three shoots ... year's branch... under side of ... tendency to ... The next w... growth about one-third, leaving three shoots on each of the previous year's branches. In after years no pruning is needed beyond the removal of branches which cross or interfere with each other. The stem is liable to sunburn and should be protected.

9. Oranges should be headed at 28 inches and the laterals shortened to 8 inches. Do not imagine this tree should be thinned out to admit sun and air, like the others; a perfect tree should show a compact mass of foliage with no branches visible. For the first four years, except to check the growth of rampant and interfering branches, in order to secure symmetrical head little or no pruning is necessary. The tendency of nearly all the budded varieties is to weep and in what pruning is done, cut to a latreal which has an upward tendency.

10. Lemons are strong, upright growers and the branches must be held in check by systematic annual pruning, which causes a liberal growth of laterals and keeps the tree in a low and symmetrical form.—Petaluma Poultry Journal.

Intercepting the Flow.

Experience has shown that the intercepting method of locating drains is the one most successful in the irrigated lands. This means that the water must be intercepted in its flow to the soil, no matter from what source. In the case of lateral seepage, that is, where the seepage flows through the soil from higher lands, the drains should be located on the upper slope of the wet ground. Conditions are seldom found where such a drain is sufficient so that in almost every case, besides the intercepting drain, an outlet should be run through the lower parts of the affected land. Sometimes it is possible for the water to enter the soil from a considerable depth, being forced up through the soil under pressure. Intercepting in that case would mean the relieving of the pressure from the bottom so that the water would not be forced up through the soil from below.

Cleanliness in the Dairy.

Make the milker wash his hands with soap before he begins to milk the cow. Then make him wash and dry the udder of the cow and there will be less danger of contaminating the milk with harmful bacteria. These sound like simple methods, but it is the simple things that count for most in this world.

In improving sheep, management must come first, then breeds. Begin at the bottom and breed up, rather than at the top and breed down.

When a man is happy he has no time to think of failure.

LABOR CONDITIONS ABROAD.

The Italians outnumber all other foreign laborers in Germany.

There is a great scarcity of agricultural laborers in Germany at present.

The wages of coal miners in the Ruhr district were reduced 2.86 cents a day during the first quarter of 1908. The average wages at present are $1.41.

Fifteen cities of Alsace-Lorraine conduct employment bureaus in touch with the organizations of employers and workmen. In some cases there are contracts allowing the city to place all employes needed.

Through the efforts of the Liege (Belgium) association for the construction of workmen's dwellings more than 800 families have been provided with comfortable and sanitary houses. Of the 562 houses built up to Dec. 31, 1907, 257 were sold and fully paid for.

Municipal insurance against idleness is spreading to many German cities. In 1906 Strassburg offered to give an extra allowance of 50 per cent in addition to that which any industrial society gives to its members who are involuntarily idle. In 1907 it gave $452, the societies contributing $1,904. The discrepancy is explained by the fact that many workmen did not comply with the city's rules.

The French bill on workmen's pensions is based on the triple obligation of the employer, the workman, and the state to contribute annually the necessary amounts to constitute for every workman or servant of thirty years' service and who has reached 60 years of age, a life pension of 360 francs ($69.48). The contribution of the employer is fixed at 2 per cent, that of the workman at a similar amount, while the state makes up the difference, so that the pension after thirty years reaches the fixed minimum of $69.48. The law provides for the capitalization in the meantime of these threefold contributions. The daily expenses for the employer (of 100 employes) would be $1.74, or for 350 days, $609. The total annual charges imposed by these labor laws may be divided up as follows: Accidents, $1,216; weekly rest, $4,323; illness, $2,436; pensions, $609; total, $8,584, or 4.15 per cent of the capital invested.

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In Copenhagen the unemployed men have found occupation in rat killing, the number exterminated reaching 5,000 to 8,000 a week, while for the rest of Denmark the figure is from 10,000 to 15,000.

Three women were among the eighty-nine applicants who recently took the examination for postal clerks at Buffalo. The highest grade, 89.70, was obtained by Miss Mary Pfans. All of the women applicants were successful, while only 35 per cent of the men passed.

Distressed at his son's refusal to enter the ministry and his preference for dealing in horses, a farmer was telling his sorrow to a neighbor. "Oh," said the latter, "don't take it too much to heart. I believe Tom will lead more men to repentance as a horse dealer than ever he would as a minister."

The potato, which was already cultivated in America when the continent was discovered, is spontaneous in Chile. It was introduced to Europe in 1580 and 1585 by the Spaniards, and almost at the same time by the English, who brought it from Virginia, where it had appeared about 1550.

SPLINTERS.

Stage hands—hack drivers.

In the time of peace prepare for some music on the piano.

It is better to give than to receive, if the recipient doesn't grab.

Actions speak louder than words if you are beating a bass drum.

Boyce—Is she a blonde or a brunette? Joyce—I don't know; I haven't seen her for several months.

The tailor is often more successful in measuring the man than in measuring his bank account.

Bobbs—Do you really mean to say that Smith got on the water wagon? Dobbs—Yes. I believe he did hop on the back step.

Dusty Rhoades—Did you stop at that house down the street? Weary Willie—No, I found out that it was a boarding house.

One Maid's Wisdom.

"Darling," pleaded the infatuated youth, "I would willingly die for you."

"Nothing doing," replied the practical maid. "What I want is a man who is willing to live and earn a living for me."

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"What did Mrs. Bomong do?"

"She was so mad that she cut out the last two acts and then cut for home."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

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HUMBOLDT SAVINGS BANK, 783 Market street, near Fourth.—For the half year ending December 31, 1908, a dividend has been declared at the rate of four (4) per cent per annum on all savings deposits, free of taxes, payable on and after Saturday, January 2, 1909. Dividends not called for are added to and bear the same rate of interest as the principal from January 1, 1909.
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"And yet they say that dogs can't reason! Why, a friend o' mine——"

"That's right! You can't tell me——"

"And when he was killed, it was just like losing one of the family. My wife——"

"Well, sir, I believe if there's a hereafter for human beings, there's one for dogs. I don't see——"

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